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SUBJECT: EL SALVADOR-HONDURS DISPUTE

1. GON GENERAL SOMOZA ADVISED ME DECEMBER 11 THAT HE HAD
SPOKEN TWICE WITH HONDURAN GENERAL LOPEZ THIS MORNING AND THAT
LOPEZ HAD ADVISED SOMOZA THAT IN VIEW OF THE COMPLEXITIES OF
SCHEDULING WHICH HAD MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A MEETING
BETWEEN MOLINA AND LOPEZ PRIOR TO SOMOZA'S DEPARTURE FOR MEXICO
ON DECEMBER 13, THAT LOPEZ WAS INSTRUCTING HIS DELEGATION TO
REMAIN IN MEXICO CITY UNTIL DECEMBER 15 AND TO INITIATE NO ACTIONS
WHICH WOULD EXACERBATE SITUATION BETWEEN SALVADOR AND HONDURAS.
LOPEZ ALSO ADVISED SOMOZA THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO MEET
WITH MOLINA AFTER SOMOZA HAD RETURNED FROM MEXICO CITY, PROBABLY
LATER THIS WEEK, OR EARLY NEXT WEEK, AND SOMOZA WILL STOP IN SAN
SALVADOR EN ROUTE TO MEXICO CITY ON DECEMBER 13 AND URGE THAT
PRESIDENT MOLINA, WHO HE WILL MEET AT AIRPORT, ADOPT SAME REASONABLE
ATTITUDE REGARDING MEXICO CITY MEETINGS AND SOMOZA WILL ATTEMPT TO

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FIX FIRM DATE FOR MEETING BETWEEN MOLINA AND LOPEZ IN DISCUSSION

WITH MOLINA.

2. IN THE MEANTIME, SOMOZA BELIEVES THAT SITUATION BETWEEN HONDURAS
AND EL SALVADOR WILL REMAIN REASONABLY CALM AND HE IS AWAITING
WORD FROM AMBASSADOR SEVILLE SACASA AS TO POSSIBLE 30 DAY EXTENSION
OF NEGOTIATIONS UNDER AEGIS OF PEACE KEEPING COMMISSION.
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